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Sir:

A copy of the International Search Report from applicants' corresponding International (PCT) patent application is enclosed.

Enclosed is a copy of European Published Patent Application No. 0488221 (European '221). The International Search Report cited European '221 as being pertinent when combined with another reference in the same category (Category Y), cited page 2, lines 1 to 16, the claims and the examples of European '221 as being pertinent, and cited European '221 as being pertinent to Claims 1 to 19 of applicants' corresponding PCT application.

Enclosed is a copy of U.S. Patent No. 5,275,881 which the International Search Report indicates corresponds to European '221

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to line 6 in column 7, lines 17 to 29 of column 6, line 52 in column 6 to line 46 of column 8 and claims 1 to 11 of European '425 as being pertinent, and cited European '425 as being pertinent to claims 1 to 19 of applicants' corresponding PCT application.

Enclosed is a copy of U.S. Patent No. 5,108,530 and U.S. Patent No. 5,217,563 which the International Search Report indicates pertain to European '425.

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Enclosed is a copy of European Published Patent Application No. 0488221, which is discussed on page 3 of this application.

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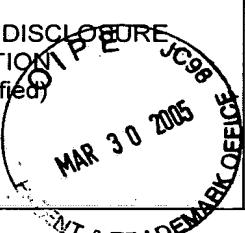
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